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UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

Memorandum

TO : SAC, MINNEAPOLIS (70-NEW) (P)

DATE: 8/15/73

FROM : SA [redacted]

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SUBJECT: UNSUBS (25-30);
Farmer's State Bank,
Mission, South Dakota
CIR-POSSIBLE LARCENY

Re telephone call by writer to RFS [redacted]
instant.

On instant date [redacted] Farmer's
State Bank, Winner, South Dakota, telephone 842-1313, telephonically
provided the following information:

On 8/13/73, some 25 to 30 Indians entered the Mission,
S.D. branch of Farmer's State Bank during business hours. They pro-
duced a check drawn on a New York bank in the amount of \$1500 ap-
proximately. The Indians appeared to be intoxicated and some were
wearing knives. They refused to leave the bank until the check was
cashed. A call was made to the bank on which the check was drawn which
advised the check was negotiable at the moment but no guarantee
of payment could be given. No local authorities were advised.

[redacted] could not provide additional details. He does
not know if overt threats were made toward employees by the Indians,
if the check is good, or the account on which the check was drawn.

On instant RFS [redacted] advised it is desirable that
the checking account on which the item was negotiated be ascertained.
This information is needed for inclusion in 157-1458 Sub A, AIM
Financing.

On instant AUSA [redacted] Sioux Falls, advised
this might possibly be a Federal violation if threats were made and/or
if the check "bounces". There might also be violation of a local
statute.

It is recommended that this case be opened and
investigation conducted to determine if a Federal Statute has been
violated.

Open and assign to Pierre RA agent.

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TO : SAC, MINNEAPOLIS (70-8047) (P)

DATE: 10/1/73

FROM : SA [REDACTED]

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SUBJECT: CHANGED (IO)

RUSSELL MEANS 70-6882

BILL MEANS 70-6883

TED MEANS 70-6832

[REDACTED] 157-2230

CLYDE BELLECOURT 70-6866

[REDACTED] 70-8025

ET AL

CIR - POSSIBLE LARCENY

*CC'd
index
all names
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Title changed to include the names of the above subjects previously carried as UNSUBS; FARMERS STATE BANK, MISSION, SOUTH DAKOTA, CIR - POSSIBLE LARCENY.

Re memo of SA [REDACTED] 8/15/73.

On 9/24/73, the writer contacted [REDACTED] Farmers State Bank, who advised that on 8/13/73 at about 2:30 p.m., BILL and TED MEANS, and one other unidentified Indian male came into the bank and demanded to cash a \$1500 check, which had come through the mail on the same date. [REDACTED] advised that the bank could not cash the check unless it was for collection only. The three Indian males left, and a short time thereafter, five Indian males returned, including the above three. The five then proceeded to enter into an argument with [REDACTED] using abusive language and valid threats. [REDACTED] stated that at no time did any of the Indians directly threaten to do anybody any harm. After arguing a short while, BILL MEANS and one of the other Indians left and BILL told the remaining three "We'll go get some help, you stay here". A short time later, about 18 Indian males came into the bank, and a short time after that, 15 more arrived. [REDACTED] stated that many of the Indians were wearing knives,

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although he did not observe any other type of weapons. He advised that he recognized the following individuals in the bank: RUSSELL MEANS, BILL MEANS, TED MEANS, [REDACTED] CLYDE BELLECOURT [REDACTED] and [REDACTED]

[REDACTED] He stated that the unknown Indians who accompanied BELLECOURT and TED MEANS when three Indians first came into the bank, did most of the talking and was most abusive. TED MEANS made the statement "We are going to sit here until the check is cashed." [REDACTED] stated that finally he decided to cash the check since he feared that violence might take place if he didn't. He stated that before he cashed the check, he called the First National Bank of Scarsdale, New York, the bank in which the check was drawn on. They advised him that there was at that time enough money in the account to cover the check. [REDACTED] and [REDACTED]

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[REDACTED] both stated to the writer that the only reason they decided to cash the check was due to the situation. [REDACTED] further stated that he knew RUSSELL MEANS and when he first saw him, he motioned "Hello" to him and MEANS yelled loudly "Don't say Hello to me" in a belligerent way.

[REDACTED] found a photograph with a check in his records which revealed that the check was numbered 682, drawn on the First National City Bank, Scarsdale, New York, on Central Avenue. It was made out to Treaty Council, %TED MEANS, Farmers State Bank, Mission, South Dakota, for \$1500. dated 8/10/73. The check belonged to [REDACTED] [REDACTED] Scarsdale, New York, and was signed by [REDACTED]

On 9/28/73 the writer contacted AUSA WILLIAM CLAYTON, concerning the above facts and CLAYTON advised that he would need a report of the incident before making any prosecutive decision. However, he stated that this information would be valuable when bond revocation hearings take place on any of the above mentioned individuals.

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MINNEAPOLIS

MP 70-8047

AT RAPID CITY, SOUTH DAKOTA

1. Will review indices on [] and []

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2. Will submit report.

For the information of SAC, JOSEPH H. TRIMBACH
and ASAC PHILIP F. ENLOW in view of prominence of subject.

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(Mount Clipping in Space Below)

'AIM members speak at educators' meeting

KADOKA — Two members of the American Indian Movement, Ted Means and his sister Madonna Gilbert, appeared before a group of about 50 regional educators at a South Dakota Education Association in-service meeting in Kadoka Wednesday.

The teachers had met to exchange ideas and techniques.

"We are here and you are here, and we better start communicating," Mrs. Gilbert said.

Both she and Means presented their case for more Indian schools taught by Indians as a method of alleviating the high rate of suicide, alcoholism, drug abuse and juvenile delinquency among Indian children.

Three AIM schools have already been established, Means said, and more are needed based on these models of first instilling racial pride and second teaching the three r's.

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Rapid City
JOURNAL

Rapid City,
SOUTH DAKOTA.

Date: OCT. 11, 1972

Edition: FINAL

Author:

Editor: JAMES M. KUEHN

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FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION

REPORTING OFFICE MINNEAPOLIS	OFFICE OF ORIGIN MINNEAPOLIS	DATE 10/30/73	INVESTIGATIVE PERIOD 8/15/73 - 10/14/73
TITLE OF CASE RUSSELL MEANS; BILL MEANS; TED MEANS; [REDACTED] CIVIL BELLE COURT [REDACTED] ET AL		REPORT MADE BY [REDACTED]	TYPED BY dlk
		CHARACTER OF CASE CIR - POSSIBLE LARCENY	

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Memo of SA [REDACTED] dated 10/1/73.
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LEAD:MINNEAPOLISAT PIERRE, SOUTH DAKOTA

Will maintain contact with U. S. Attorney, Sioux Falls, to obtain final prosecutive opinion.

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Brief description of activity or material

AIM Intelligence

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* INDIVIDUALS DESIGNATED BY AN ASTERISK (*) ONLY ATTENDED A MEETING AND DID NOT ACTIVELY PARTICIPATE. VIOLENCE OR REVOLUTIONARY ACTIVITIES WERE NOT DISCUSSED.

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Source advised that the [redacted]
[redacted] of Eagle Butte, South Dakota, of the Rapid City
AIM Headquarters, also goes by the name of [redacted]

70-7900

Source reviewed CBS news films and photographs
and advised that he recognized the following photographs:

#73B - [redacted] or a good look-a-like;

#85 - [redacted] of the Denver AIM
Chapter, presently residing at
Pine Ridge, South Dakota;

#92 - Will furnish name later.

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Source advised that through a conversation with
[redacted] [redacted] of Pine Ridge, and [redacted]
[redacted] of Eagle Butte, were perimeter guards during the
wounded Knee occupation. Also that there will be no
action until after the outcome of this pending trial of
those under indictment.

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Source advised that the Rapid City AIM Chapter
is organizing a basketball team which will play semi-pro
teams in order to raise money for AIM.

UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

Memorandum

TO : SAC, MINNEAPOLIS (76-8047)

DATE: 11-10-73

FROM : SA [REDACTED]

SUBJECT: CLYDE BELLECOUAT

A photograph of subject is maintained in the 1A
Section of Minneapolis file [REDACTED]

UNDER NO CIRCUMSTANCES WILL THE PHOTOGRAPHS
OBTAINED BY [REDACTED] BE DISPLAYED TO ANY INDIVIDUAL
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TO : SAC, MINNEAPOLIS (70-8047)

DATE: 11-10-73

FROM : SC

SUBJECT: *RUSSELL MEANS*

A photograph of subject is maintained in the LA Section of Minneapolis file

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REPORTING OFFICE MINNEAPOLIS	OFFICE OF ORIGIN MINNEAPOLIS	DATE 12/17/73	INVESTIGATIVE PERIOD 2/10-12/3/73
TITLE OF CASE THEODORE LYLE MEANS, aka Ted Means		REPORT MADE BY <div style="border: 1px solid black; height: 20px; width: 100%;"></div>	TYPED BY kcu
		CHARACTER OF CASE CIR-BURGLARY AND LARCENY; ARL-IFO	

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Investigation reported herein was previously reported in the MP Case entitled "Wounded Knee," MP file #70-6832, BUfile 70-58443.

It is also noted TED MEANS is the subject of MP 70-8047 regarding his participation in the intimidation of Farmer's State Bank, Mission, South Dakota.

For the information of receiving offices, TED MEANS is of ATM spokesman RUSSELL CHARLES MEANS. The BILL MEANS and

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MP 70-8288

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DENVER

AT DENVER, COLORADO

An information copy of this report is being forwarded Denver in view of their interest in potential AIM leaders.

OKLAHOMA CITY

AT OKLAHOMA CITY, OKLAHOMA

Same as for Denver

PHOENIX

AT PHOENIX, ARIZONA

Same as for Denver

SAN FRANCISCO

AT SAN FRANCISCO, CALIFORNIA

An information copy of this report is being forwarded San Francisco in view of past arrests of THEODORE L. MEANS in the San Francisco, California area.

WFO

AT WASHINGTON, D.C.

Will provide disposition of 9/22/71 arrest of THEODORE MEANS (MPD #253184) for unlawful entry

Will index the name [] (see Informants); by "active" it is believed [] was referring to active in extremist matters.

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AT RAPID CITY, SOUTH DAKOTA

Will through AUSA RICHARD D. HURD, District
of South Dakota, follow the prosecution of TED LYLE MEANS.

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INFORMANTS

On 7/20/73, [] advised TED MEANS was
conferring with [] relative to the Crazy Horse
Pow Wow at Custer State Park, South Dakota, from 8/3-8/10/73. b6
[] was reported "active" in the Washington, D. C. area. b7C b7D

UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE
FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION

Copy to: 1 - USA, Sioux Falls, South Dakota

Report of: [REDACTED]

Office: Minneapolis,
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Date: December 17, 1973

Field Office File #: 70-8288

Bureau File #:

Title: THEODORE LYLE MEANS

Character: CRIME ON INDIAN RESERVATION- BURGLARY AND LARCENY;
ANTI-RIOT LAWS - IMPEDING FEDERAL
OFFICERS

Synopsis: THEODORE LYLE MEANS, Indian Male, DOB 8/9/46, identified as one of the looters of the Wounded Knee, South Dakota Trading Post during the AIM occupation of said village. MEANS thereafter arrested on 3/9/73, charged with violation of USC, Title 18, Section 238(a) - Impeding Federal Officers. Magistrate's warrant subsequently dismissed. On 10/10/73 USA, District of South Dakota, advised the matter will be presented to a FGJ in the near future.

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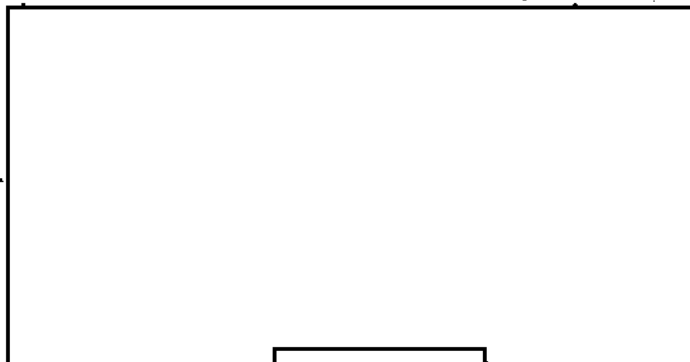
DETAILS

Investigation in this matter was instituted on 2/10/73 following information received by Detective [REDACTED] [REDACTED] Rapid City, South Dakota Police Department who advised TED MEANS, and others, had been arrested during the evening of 2/9/73 following the destruction of several places of business in Rapid City, South Dakota.

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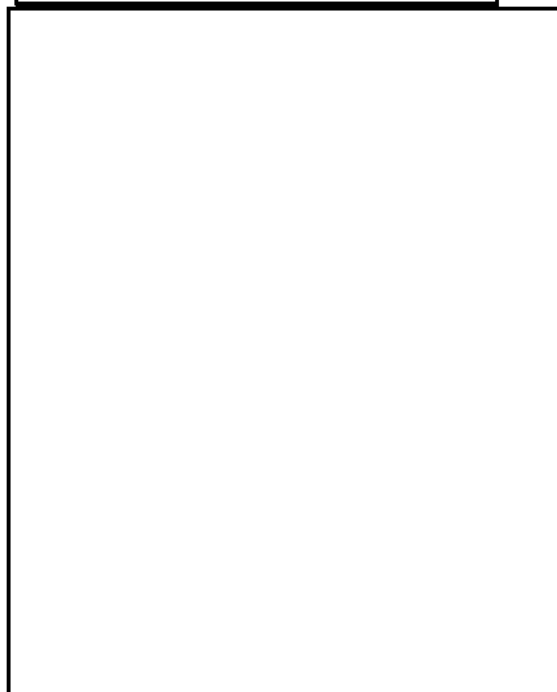
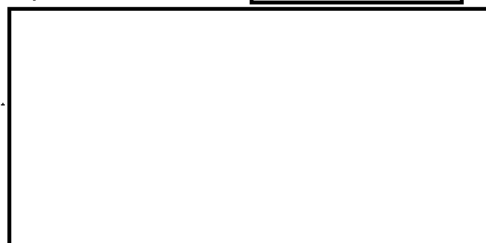
Detective [redacted] Rapid City, Police Department, advised on February 10, 1973, that the following individuals were arrested on [redacted] on the street of Rapid City, South Dakota. Following [redacted]

[redacted] Those arrested by the Rapid City Police Department were taken to the Pennington County Jail, Rapid City, South Dakota:



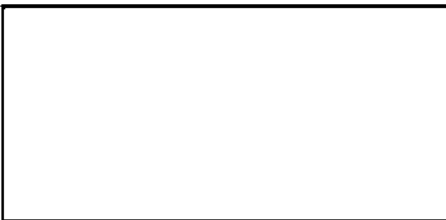
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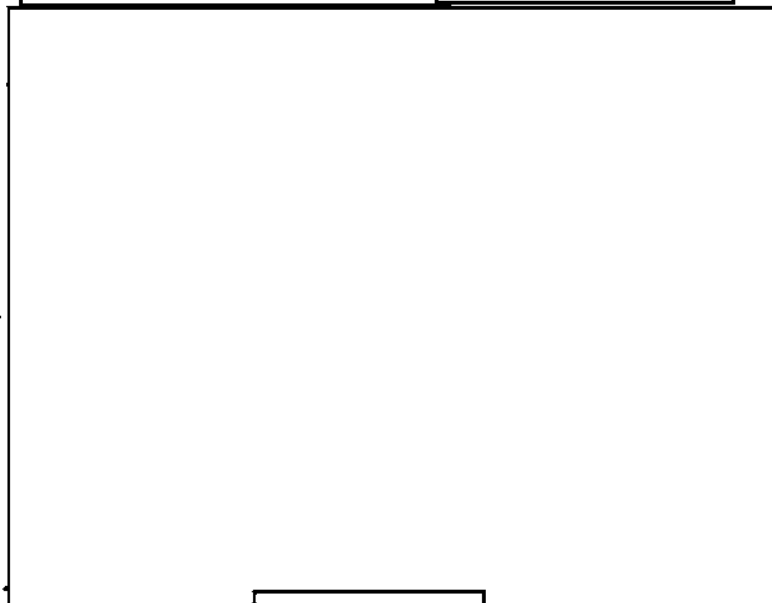
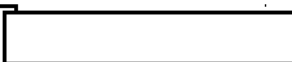
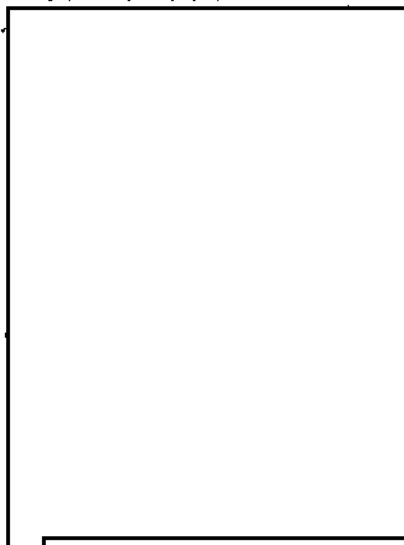
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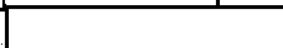
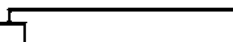
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TED MEANS



(True Name
South Dakota



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Date of transcription 4/12/73

[redacted] was interviewed at the Bureau of Indian Affairs (BIA) Jail Pine Ridge South Dakota by Special Agents (SAs) [redacted] and [redacted] who identified themselves to him as SAs of the FBI. [redacted] was advised he was being questioned in regard to his possible involvement in the activities at Wounded Knee, South Dakota and as to how he came into possession of the property found on him following his arrest by BIA Officer [redacted]. Prior to any questioning [redacted] was advised of certain of his constitutional rights which were read to him and explained by SA [redacted]. [redacted] stated he understood his rights but declined to sign the warning and waiver form. He stated he would talk to the interviewing agents and thereafter furnished the following information:

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[redacted] stated he entered Wounded Knee on March 27, 1973 by way of a path known to him as an escape and entry route into the town. He stated this road runs between Federal roadblocks five and six and is in close proximity to Denby Road. [redacted] stayed in Wounded Knee for three or four days after which time he left via the same route. He returned to Wounded Knee a short time later.

[redacted] stated while he was in Wounded Knee he was placed on guard duty near a corner of the Sioux museum, and was armed with a 30-30 rifle. He stated he never fired the weapon as he was afraid to. He also stated that he took some copper bracelets from the trading post as well as an Indian type blanket which he subsequently gave away. [redacted] stated one FIRST NAME UNKNOWN (FNU) [redacted] took some copper rings and Indian blankets from the trading post and that TED MEANS took levis, beaded necklaces and various medallions, some of which may have had American flags on them. He further stated American Indian Movement (AIM) people whom he could not identify took guns, ammunition, beaded articles, war bonnets, tomahawks and other Indian artifacts. [redacted] advised he knew the people taking these items were AIM members in that they were dressed in traditional Indian garb. He advised the residents of Wounded Knee took food and clothing from the trading post and believed the [redacted] a family in Wounded Knee, were involved in this

Interviewed on 4/7/73 at Pine Ridge, South Dakota File # MP 70-NEW

SAs [redacted]

and
mbwDate dictated 4/11/73

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activity.

[redacted] advised he is unaware of who is responsible for shooting SA CURTIS FITZGERALD but stated he heard from his friends [redacted] and [redacted] that one [redacted] who may reside in White River, South Dakota on the Rosebud Reservation may have been the one who shot U. S. Marshal [redacted]. [redacted] further advised he saw two or three heifer cattle and a couple of Black Angus in a corral by the trading post and that he saw [redacted] riding a white saddle horse with a new looking saddle on it. At the time [redacted] was wearing a black shirt, a beaded headband and levis. b6 b7c

[redacted] stated on April 2, 1973, one [redacted] LAST NAME UNKNOWN (LNU) asked him to leave Wounded Knee in order to obtain food. [redacted] agreed and left Wounded Knee at dawn April 3, 1973, via the same route he had previously taken. He was then picked up at approximately 7:00 a.m. April 3, 1973 by [redacted] and [redacted] who is the brother of [redacted] one of the Indians wounded in Wounded Knee. After being picked up by these individuals they drove around until approximately 5:30 p.m., at which time the car they were driving stalled by the residence of [redacted] Wanblee, South Dakota. They saw a white over brown Ford Bronco parked on [redacted] property and went over and looked at the vehicle and found the ignition key in it. They took the vehicle and drove into Wanblee.

Upon arriving at Wanblee they drove around town and decided to break into Smalley's store and did so at approximately 11:00 p.m., taking mostly food stuffs such as meat and canned goods, in addition to a quantity of cigarettes.

After breaking into the store they returned to where their car had broken down and attempted to get it started, after which they intended to head back to Wounded Knee. They were seen by [redacted] and [redacted] and [redacted] drove away in the Bronco leaving [redacted] and [redacted] behind. [redacted] and [redacted] then proceeded south on the Big Foot Trail

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and approximately 16 miles down the road the clutch gave out on the Bronco and they abandoned it. [redacted] and [redacted] hid by a fence in a gully in the proximity of the place they abandoned the Bronco until 3:00 a.m., April 4, 1973. They decided at this time that they were going to get caught eventually so they left their hiding place and proceeded to [redacted] residence in order to get some sleep. They arrived at [redacted] residence at approximately 7:00 a.m. and slept there until 1:00 p.m. when they were awakened by a BIA officer, [redacted] who placed them in a BIA car and transported them to Wanblee. Upon arriving in Wanblee they remained in the BIA car for approximately two hours, at which time [redacted] told them charges were being dropped and they were free to go.

[redacted] stated he was arrested by BIA Officer [redacted] on [redacted] at the residence of [redacted]. At the time of his arrest he stated he had a shotgun, ammunition and jewelry in his possession which he had taken from the residence of [redacted] Wanblee, South Dakota. He advised his sister-in-law [redacted] had died recently and he became upset over the matter and planned to live alone in the hills for awhile. He stated the reason he took the shotgun and ammunition was to kill game. [redacted] advised that in the process of looking for ammunition he came across some jewelry consisting of watches, bracelets and other items and decided to take them also.

The following description of [redacted] was obtained through observation and interview.

Name	[redacted]
Sex	male
Race	Indian
Date of Birth	[redacted]
Place of Birth	Pine Ridge, South Dakota
Height	5'4"
Weight	120 pounds
Hair	Black
Eyes	Brown

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Residence

[redacted]
Wanblee, South Dakota

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Tattoos

Social Security
Account Number
Automobile

[redacted]
Unknown
1964 Chevrolet convertible,
black over maroon, license
number unknown, registered
in South Dakota

Father

[redacted] residence
unknown, Alliance, Nebraska

Mother

[redacted] residence unknown,
Wyoming

Aunt

[redacted]
Pine Ridge, South Dakota
8th grade, Wanblee High School

Education
Arrests

MP 70-8288

On October 10, 1973, United States Attorney WILLIAM F. CLAYTON, District of South Dakota, advised a Federal Grand Jury (FGJ) will convene in the near future to hear testimony regarding TED MEANS and other individuals in connection with the 1973 Wounded Knee, South Dakota disorders. Mr. CLAYTON advised this decision was made following a review of the matter by his office.

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On October 26, 1973, Special Clerk [] reviewed the records of the Census Office, Bureau of Indian Affairs (BIA), Pine Ridge Indian Reservation, Pine Ridge, South Dakota, which disclosed the following:

Name	THEODORE LYLE MEANS
Race	American Indian 15/32 Oglala Sioux
Enrollment Number	N 60983
Date of Birth	August 9, 1946

On the same date, Special Clerk [] reviewed the records of the BIA Police and Court House, Pine Ridge, South Dakota. No record could be located for MEANS.

FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION

Date of transcription 9/6/73

 Pine Ridge Agency, Pine Ridge, South Dakota, telephone number 605-867-5145, furnished the following information regarding Census and Enrollment records:

 advised that he is the Pine Ridge Agency Realty Officer and has the responsibility for the Census and Enrollment records of the Pine Ridge Indian Reservation, and would be the individual to be subpoenaed to bring the records into court for the verification of the enrollment status of an Indian. advised that his assistant, is the of the records.

 advised that in 1934 all Indians carried on the rolls of the Pine Ridge Indian Reservation were automatically enrolled. Subsequent to 1934, an Indian born on the Reservation and at least one-fourth Indian blood was enrolled upon an application. If a Pine Ridge Reservation Indian gives birth to a child off the Reservation, the name must be approved by the Tribal Council.

 advised that he can determine the status of an Indian who is not enrolled on the Pine Ridge Reservation by contacting the Area Office in Aberdeen, South Dakota, which handles the eight agencies in the states of North Dakota, South Dakota, and Nebraska. He believes that the Area Office in Aberdeen furnishes enrollment information to the Bureau of Indian Affairs (BIA) in Washington, D.C., which maintains a national listing of all enrolled Indians.

 stated that the Census and Enrollment records can be reviewed by anyone on a need-to-know basis.

Interviewed on 8/29/73 at Pine Ridge, South Dakota File # MP 70-6882

by SA eks Date dictated 9/2/73

MP 70-8288

On October 20, 1973 Special Clerk [redacted] reviewed the records of the Rapid City Police Department (RCPD) which disclosed the following description for TED MEANS:

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Name	THEODORE LYLE MEANS
Alias	TED MEANS
Rapid City Police Department Number	18800
Federal Bureau of Investigation Number	587580F
Address	1021 Willsie Avenue Rapid City, South Dakota 57701
Race	Indian
Sex	Male
Height	5'9"
Weight	142 pounds
Build	Medium
Color Eyes	Brown
Color Hair	Black
Date of Birth	August 9, 1946
Place of Birth	Wagner, South Dakota
Fingerprint Classification	1 3 2 W 1 0 M 1 9 0 3 2 W 6 0 M 2 0
Occupation	Laborer

MP 70-8288

On November 2, 1973, the Federal Bureau of Investigation Identification Division, Washington, D. C. made available Federal Bureau of Investigation Record Number 587 580 F which disclosed the following:

UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE
FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION
WASHINGTON, D.C. 20537

883PS 12-2-73

The following FBI record, NUMBER 587 580 F, is furnished FOR OFFICIAL USE ONLY. Information shown on this Identification Record represents data furnished FBI by fingerprint contributors. WHERE FINAL DISPOSITION IS NOT SHOWN OR FURTHER EXPLANATION OF CHARGE IS DESIRED, COMMUNICATE WITH AGENCY CONTRIBUTING THOSE FINGERPRINTS.

CONTRIBUTOR OF FINGERPRINTS	NAME AND NUMBER	ARRESTED OR RECEIVED	CHARGE	DISPOSITION
PD Rapid City SDak	Theodore L. Means #18800	7-11-64	intox	rel to Juv Auth
PD Ventura Calif	Theodore Lyle Means #DR-24668	4-12-66	23102 CVC (DWD)	misd 3 yrs prob
PD San Fran Calif	Theodore Lyle Means #222093	9-27-67	M-63485 Sec 242 PC battery	dism
PD San Fran Calif	Theodore L. Means #222093	10-11-67	Sec 242 PC (battery)	dism
USM Sioux Falls SDak	Theodore Lyle Means #8410-1497	6-6-71	did unlawfully climb Mount Rushmore and Camp	dism
PD Wash DC	Theodore Lyle Means #253 184	9-22-71	Unl Ent	
SO Rapid City SDak	Ted Means 11060	2-10-73	Riot	
USM Sioux Falls SDak	Ted Lyle Means 8410 1497	FP 3-9-73	Impeding Law Ofc During Civil Disorder & Conspiracy	

Notations indicated by * are NOT based on fingerprints in FBI files but are listed only as investigative leads as being possibly identical with subject of this record.

MP 70-8288

On December 3, 1973, Miss [redacted]
[redacted] to United States Magistrate JAMES H. WILSON,
was contacted at her office at Rapid City, South Dakota.
Miss [redacted] advised her records disclosed the following:

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Name	TED MEANS
Date of Complaint	March 10, 1973
Violation	United States Code Title 18 Section 231(a)(3)
Arraignment	March 10, 1973 Bond - Personal Recognizance
Disposition	Dismissed, no date recorded

DIRECTOR, FBI (70-60488)

February 20, 1974

SAC, MINNEAPOLIS (70-8047) (P)

RUSSELL MEANS;
ET AL
CIR - POSSIBLE LARCENY

Reference Minneapolis report of SA
dated 10/30/73.

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Contact has been maintained with United States Attorney WILLIAM F. CLAYTON in Sioux Falls, South Dakota, regarding possible prosecution of the subjects in this case. CLAYTON was contacted on November 27, 1973, and again on December 18, 1973. On both occasions, United States Attorney CLAYTON advised that he did not want to make a prosecutive opinion on this case at this time but that he wanted to use the information contained in referenced report in any future motions made by the Offense/Defense Committee defending the subjects of the Wounded Knee takeover in the Wounded Knee trials.

CLAYTON advised that as a result of his intentions regarding the use of the information contained in the referenced report, he would hold off rendering a final prosecutive opinion until a future date.

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Brief description of activity or material

American Indian Movement (AIM) march 1/26/74

Rapid City, S.D., Telephone Number for

Rapid City, S.D., AIM Headquarters

File where original is located if not attached

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VIOLENCE OR REVOLUTIONARY ACTIVITIES WERE NOT DISCUSSED.

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IN DISSEMINATING INFORMATION APPROPRIATE PARAPHRASING SHOULD
BE UTILIZED IN ORDER TO PROTECT THE SOURCES IDENTITY.

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MP 157-1469

Source stated that AIM was sponsoring a demonstration at the United States Post Office at Rapid City, South Dakota, on Saturday, January 26, 1974, after which the individuals were scheduled to march to the Mother Butler Center at Rapid City, South Dakota. Source did not possess any information indicating that this demonstration and march would be anything other than a peaceful demonstration and march.

Source stated that the AIM Headquarters in Rapid City, South Dakota, which is located at 807 Fairview Street, has telephone number 348-5629 which is listed under the name of TED MEANS.

Source stated that numerous calls have been made from this telephone to AIM Chapters in various parts of the United States and that calls had been made to Rosebud, South Dakota; Pine Ridge, South Dakota; Grand Forks, North Dakota; Eagle Butte, South Dakota; St. Paul, Minnesota; Sioux City, Iowa; Rushville, Nebraska; Olympia, Washington; Denver, Colorado; and to the states of California and New York. In addition, a call has been placed to Paris, France.

SAC, MINNEAPOLIS (70-6872)

2/27/74

SA DONALD G. WILEY

LORELEI DECORA MEANS
CIR - BURGLARY, LARCENY
OO: MP

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Re Minneapolis memo of SA DONALD G. WILEY
dated 2/26/74.

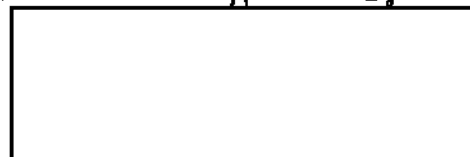
On 2/27/74 [redacted] Deputy United
States Marshal, Sioux Falls, S.D. advised that subject
is married to TED MEANS, brother of RUSSELL MEANS, AIM
National Leader.

[redacted] advised that TED MEANS and his
[redacted] have been [redacted] for sometime
and that TED MEANS married LORELEI and is expecting a
child.

The above is being submitted for the information
of the file.

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REPORTING OFFICE MINNEAPOLIS	OFFICE OF ORIGIN MINNEAPOLIS	DATE 3/18/74	INVESTIGATIVE PERIOD 1/15/74 - 3/5/74
TITLE OF CASE THEODORE LYLE MEANS, aka		REPORTED BY [REDACTED]	TYPED BY mjf b6 b7C
		CHARACTER OF CASE CIR - BURGLARY; LARCENY; ARL - IFO	

REFERENCE:

Minneapolis report of Special Agent [REDACTED]
dated December 17, 1973.

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ADMINISTRATIVE:

Previous reports in this matter are referenced
in the first paragraph of details at the request of the United
States Attorney, District of South Dakota.

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1 - United States Attorney, Sioux Falls, South Dakota						Indexed	
3 - Minneapolis (70-8238) (1 - 70-8047)						[REDACTED]	
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MP 70-8288

LEADS

MINNEAPOLIS

AT RAPID CITY, SOUTH DAKOTA

Will, through Assistant United States Attorney,
District of South Dakota, follow the prosecution of TED MEANS.

UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE
FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION

Copy to: 1 -- United States Attorney, Sioux Falls, South Dakota

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Title:

THEODORE LYLE MEANS

Character:

CRIME ON INDIAN RESERVATION - BURGLARY; LARCENY;
ANTIRIOT LAWS - IMPEDING FEDERAL OFFICERS

Synopsis:

Officials of the office of the United
States Attorney, District of South Dakota, advised
no decision had been made in the matter of
THEODORE LYLE MEANS.

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Details:

Reference is made to the investigative report of
Special Agent [redacted] dated December 17, 1978.

MP 70-8288

On January 15, 1974, the records of the Metropolitan Police Department, Washington D. C., were reviewed by Special Clerk [redacted] at which time the following information was obtained:

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THEODORE LYLE MEANS was one of a group of 24 American Indians who staged a protest on September 22, 1971, inside the Bureau of Indian Affairs (BIA) Building, 1951 Constitution Avenue, N. W., Washington, D. C., disturbing the normal course of business, and refused to leave when instructed. The participants were forcibly removed by the Metropolitan Police Department (MPD), and charged with unlawful entry.

Disposition listed as no papers.

The following descriptive information was also obtained from the MPD file:

Name	THEODORE LYLE MEANS
Date of birth	August 9, 1946
Place of birth	Wagner, South Dakota
Height	Five feet nine inches
Weight	175 pounds
Social Security Account Number	504-50-4746
Selective Service Number	34 24 46 197 Status 3A

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An article from the Minneapolis Tribune, a newspaper published daily at Minneapolis, Minnesota, disclosed the following:

TED MEANS was arrested January 29, 1974 at Rapid City, South Dakota, on a bench warrant charging him with riot, assault and battery and obstructing a police officer, MEANS was freed after posting \$200 and a bracelet valued at \$150.

On January 18 and February 11, 1974, Assistant United States Attorney [redacted] District of South Dakota, and on March 5, 1974, Mrs. [redacted] Office of United States Attorney, District of South Dakota, advised no decision had been made in the matter of THEODORE LYLE MEANS.

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UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

Memorandum

TO : SAC, MINNEAPOLIS (70-8047) (P)

DATE: 3/27/74

FROM : SA [REDACTED]

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SUBJECT: RUSSELL MEANS;
ET AL
CIR - POSSIBLE LARCENY
OO: Minneapolis

ReMPreport of SA [REDACTED] dated 10/30/73.

On 3/20/74 SA [REDACTED] telephonically contacted U. S. Attorney WILLIAM CLAYTON, Sioux Falls, South Dakota, regarding his intentions concerning this case. CLAYTON advised that he desired to make no prosecutive opinion on the case at this time but as he advised earlier to postpone making a decision until after the trials of MEANS and BANKS in St. Paul, Minnesota, are over. He stated that at that time he would then review the case, determine what further investigation needed to be done and give a prosecutive opinion where he could take into consideration the results of the St. Paul Wounded Knee trials.

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MINNEAPOLIS DIVISION

AT PIERRE, SOUTH DAKOTA

Will maintain contact with U. S. Attorney WILLIAM CLAYTON regarding this case.

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1-157-2310 (MARIE LAMBERT)
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1-157-2911
1-157-3192
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1-157-1723 (LORELEI DE CORA MEANS)
1-157-2864 (TED MEANS)
1-70-8047 (TED MEANS)

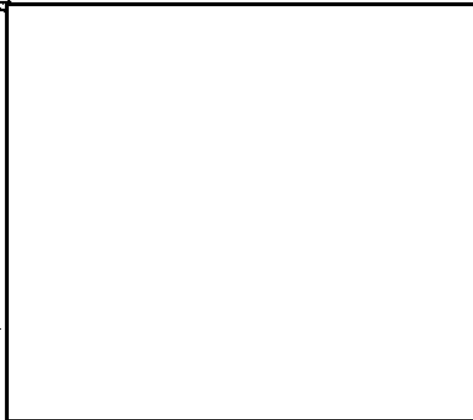
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Source was shown the following photographs after which source advised he was not familiar with the individual by photo or name.



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Source was shown the following photographs after which he advised he did know the individual depicted in to photograph:

[REDACTED]
Clyde Bellecourt

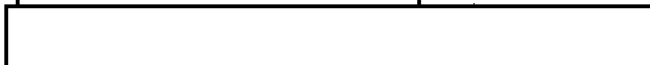
Marie Lambert

[REDACTED]
Herbert George Powless

[REDACTED]
Severt Young Bear

[REDACTED]
William Means

Theodore Lyle Means aka Ted



MARIE LAMBERT 157-2310

Source advised he had previously met LAMBERT at St. Paul, Minn. at which time LAMBERT had come to St. Paul in support of the Wounded Knee trials. It was sources understanding that LAMBERT lived in Rapid City, SD.

[redacted] 157-3013

Source advised he knows subject both by photo and name. It was sources understanding that subject is [redacted]

[redacted] Key Extremist Herbert George Powless (OO:MI).

Source recalled meeting subject at an unknown convention or gathering.

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Source advised that he knows subject and source recalled seeing subject in the past. Source was of the opinion that subject may now be in the St. Paul-Mp area at the present time.

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[redacted] 157-2911

Source advised he first met subject at the Rosebud, SD fair in 1972. Since that time he has seen subject three or four times. Source was of the impression that subject was from the Los Angeles, Calif. area. It was also sources understanding that subject more or less handles the south west section of the United States for AIM since Vernon Bellecourt left that area or responsibility.

Source did not know if subject was a member of the Vietnam Veterans Against the War. (VVAW)

Source was also of the opinion that if [redacted] was in the Mp area he would probably be welcome at Clyde Bellecourts home due to [redacted] apparent stature with AIM.

[redacted] 157-3192

Source advised that he had previously seen subject at Crow Dogs Paradise, Rosebud Indian Reservation, on several occasions in the past.

[redacted] 57-1772

LORELEI DE CORA MEANS 157-1723

TED MEANS 157-2864

TED MEANS 70-8047

Source advised that he considered [redacted] Lorelei, and possibly [redacted] the top women in the AIM at the current time. [redacted] CLYDE BELLECOURT.

LORELEI is married to TED MEANS and they are expecting a child this summer.

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Source advised that subject bought a used car last month and that this vehicle is a black 1970 Chrysler and would probably have 1974 Minn. tags on the vehicle. Source recalled subject stating that the car was not in too good of shape and source was of the opinion that subject might have traded off this vehicle.

Source advised that he considers subject [redacted] and source was of the impression that subject is very worried about the Rapid City, SD [redacted] currently pending against him.

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AIM ORGANIZATION, FINANCING, FOREIGN
INFLUENCE, SLA, AIM INTELLIGENCE

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Remarks:

1-52-3481 (WASHRIP)

1-12-0- (NARCOTICS CONTROL)

1-87-0-

1-92-0-

1-157-0-

1-15 1-3361 (HERBERT GEORGE POWLESS)

1-87-22154 (INDIAN ORIGINAL BURGLARY)

1-157-3693 (SLA)

1-157-1423 (LORELEI DE CORA MEANS)

1-157-2196 (STANLEY HOLDER)

1-157-3471

1- (NATIONAL COALITION)

1-100-15654 (VVAW)

1-100-15411 (PCPJ)

1-157-3444 (BROWN BERETS)

1-100-16526 (ANGELA DAVIS)

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1-157-1459 (VERNON BELLECOURT)

1-157-722 (CLYDE BELLECOURT)

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1-70-6864 DENNIS BANKS
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1-157-1517 [REDACTED]
1-157-1772 [REDACTED]
1-157-3590 [REDACTED]
1-157-1926 (WKLD0C)
1-157-1458 (AIM ST PAUL, MINN) [REDACTED]
1-157-3367 (AIM PORCUPINE, SD) [REDACTED]
1-157-1469 (AIM RAPID CITY, SD) [REDACTED]
1-157-1776 (AIM CALICO-ICRO)
1-157-3709 (AIM BURGLARIES) [REDACTED]

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THIS SOURCE REPORT IS BROKEN DOWN INTO THE
FOLLOWING CATEGORIES;

- SECTION I WASHRIP AND CLYDE BELLECOURT & [REDACTED]
- SECTION II NARCOTICS INFORMATION RELATING TO AIM
- SECTION III BURGLARY OF INDIAN ORIGINAL JEWELRY STORE
- SECTION IV 87-O and 92-O MATTERS AND INTELLIGENCE
- SECTION V HERBERT GEORGE POWLESS
- SECTION VI WEAPONS
- SECTION VII SLA
- SECTION VIII AIM SECURITY
- SECTION IX AIM ORGANIZATION, WKLD, FOREIGN INFLUENCE,
AIM FINANCING, NATIONAL LEADERS, LOCAL CHAPTERS
AND LEADERS, AND OTHER RELATED AIM INFORMATION.

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DUE TO THE EXTREME SENSITIVITY OF SOURCE, IT IS MANDATORY
THAT APPROPRIATE PARAPHRASING AND UTMOST DISCRETION BE UTILIZED
IN DESSEMINATING AND UTILIZING THE INFORMATION CONTAINED HEREIN.

WASHRIP 52-3481

CLYDE BELLECOURT 157-

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Source advised that CLYDE BELLECOURT has numerous paintings in his home in Minneapolis, Minn. Although BELLECOURT has paintings which are not stolen among the above paintings, he also has several paintings in his residence which are from Washrip.

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Source also advised that there are numerous Washrip paintings in St. Paul area homes.

In addition, records from Washrip are in the possession of CLYDE BELLECOURT and [redacted] Source was reasonably certain that [redacted]

NARCOTICS INFORMATION RELATING TO AIM
12-0-

Source advised that the "needle" and "mainling" is virtually unheard of in the AIM movement. Source advised that grass and speed are much more common with the movement. In addition several individuals allegedly snort coke.

Source advised that many members of AIM are currently heavily involved in the sale and distribution of grass. Columbian grass appears to be the favorite and better grade of grass on the streets now.

Source advised that [redacted] CLYDE BELLECOURT [redacted]

Source advised it is commonplace to see AIM members smoking grass.

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Source was aware of recent trips that [redacted] has taken from the Minneapolis, Minn. area to the Rosebud Indian Reservation and source was of the opinion that [redacted] Rosebud Reservation.

Source advised that [redacted] lives near White River, SD and [redacted] White River, SD and [redacted] the [redacted]

Main sources of narcotics in the Mp-St. Paul area are as follows:

[REDACTED]

To sources knowledge, [REDACTED]

[REDACTED]

[REDACTED]

BURGLARY OF INDIAN JEWELRY FROM INDIAN ORIGINAL
STORE, RAPID CITY, SD 2/11/74=2/12/74 ITSP OO:MP
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[REDACTED] were in Minneapolis, Minn. on approximately 2/15-2/16/74 at which time these individuals had [REDACTED] Rapid City, SD. [REDACTED] NU a W/M 5'10", medium build, 28-35 years old, [REDACTED] hair, well dressed and wears a lot of jewelry.

Source is certain that [REDACTED]

[REDACTED]

[REDACTED] Source advised that [REDACTED] (phonetic) who is a [REDACTED] (phonetic). Source described [REDACTED] as [REDACTED] either a fence or [REDACTED] an individual who works with a fence.

It was sources understanding that [REDACTED] have been on jobs before and that [REDACTED] often times work together. It was also sources understanding that [REDACTED] (phonetic) has been on a number of jobs with [REDACTED]

Source advised that it is general policy to not hit Indian owned stores but to hit the white owned stores. When advised that the INDIAN ORIGINAL was an Indian owned store, source advised [REDACTED] was unable to explain why [REDACTED] and [REDACTED]

It was sources understanding that [REDACTED]

[REDACTED] INDIAN [REDACTED]

[REDACTED]

Sources understanding was that

_____ was in California and _____ was still believed to be in jail in South Dakota.

Source recalled the occasion when

aka

Source could not recall

any of the above names.

Source advised it was [redacted] understanding that if

and

87-0, 92-0, and 157-0 MATTERS AND INTELLIGENCE

Source advised

It was sources understanding that

Source advised that

[redacted]
Source was of the opinion that much of the [redacted]
[redacted]
[redacted]

According to sources understanding, [redacted]
[redacted]

Source advised that [redacted]
[redacted]

[redacted] is described as W/M 25-30 years of age and from
St; Paul, Minn.

Source also advised [redacted]
[redacted]

Source also advised that it was [redacted]
[redacted]

It was sources understanding that [redacted]
often times work together and that [redacted]
[redacted] also work together.

Source advised that [redacted] and
[redacted]

HERBERT GEORGE POWLESS (KEY EXTREMIST)(157- 3361)

Source advised [redacted] knows subject and it was sources impression that subject had apparently [redacted]
[redacted]

Source last saw subject [redacted] and has seen subject in the past [redacted]

According to sources understanding subject [redacted]
[redacted]
[redacted]

WEAPONS

It was sources understanding that [redacted] and CLYDE BELLECOURT are responsible for [redacted] Wounded Knee, SD during the occupation in 1973. Source was of the opinion that these individuals had merely not gotten around [redacted]
[redacted]

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Source was questioned regarding the advisability of AIM having weapons available and [redacted]
[redacted]

Source advised AIM currently has [redacted]
[redacted]
[redacted]
[redacted]
[redacted]
[redacted]

Source was aware of approximately [redacted]
[redacted]
approximately [redacted]
[redacted]
[redacted]
[redacted]

In this [redacted]
[redacted]

It was sources understanding that the [redacted]

[REDACTED]

Source had heard that [REDACTED]

In addition, source had heard that [REDACTED]

of [REDACTED]

Source considered [REDACTED]

Source had also heard that there are [REDACTED]

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SYMBIONESE LIBERATION ARMY (SLA)
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Source advised that the "Patricia Hearst" "type" of kidnapping had been discussed during the fall of 1973. Source emphasized that no names were mentioned at that time and source was merely aware that this type of "political" kidnapping had previously been discussed. Source recalled that this type of kidnapping had been discussed by AIM but that this type of kidnapping had been abandoned by AIM in as much as this type of kidnapping did not seem to best benefit the AIM.

Source advised [REDACTED] first heard of this type of kidnapping at a coalition meeting in the MP-St Paul area.

Source advised [REDACTED] first recalled hearing of the SLA in January of 1974 and prior to the Hearst kidnapping. On this occasion, source had attended [REDACTED] BROWN BERET [REDACTED] Source recalled hearing only that the SLA was some type of underground organization.

It was sources understanding that the SLA had contacted the BROWN BERETS or that the BROWN BERETS had contacted the SLA.

Source had also heard that there were more of the "Hearst type" of kidnappings to follow this spring and this summer.

Source was of the opinion that AIM actually knew more about the SLA than they were openly admitting. Source based this opinion on [redacted] recollection that CLYDE BELLECOURT had [redacted] BROWN BERET [redacted]

Source advised [redacted] could not give an opinion as to the legitimate nature of the Hearst kidnapping since [redacted] had not received any information indicating that the kidnapping was legitimate nor had [redacted] received any information indicating that the kidnapping was not legitimate.

AIM SECURITY

Source advised that ART SKENADORE (phonetic [redacted]) [redacted] SKENADORE had therefore been replaced as head of security for AIM.

It was sources understanding that [redacted] apparently the [redacted] for AIM.

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To sources knowledge there are approximately ten individuals who are trusted AIM members and who have TOP SECURITY clearance. These individuals are issued AIM Identification cards which show their clearance as TOP SECURITY and these individuals are therefore allowed to view any level of AIM record and are cleared to attend or be present at any level of AIM meeting or policy decision.

These cards contain the individual's name, tribe, and other background data and these cards are signed by either DENNIS BANKS or BANKS and CLYDE BELLECOURT. These signatures are in red.

Source further advised that the top level of AIM such as VERNON BELLECOURT, RUSSELL MEANS, DENNIS BANKS and CLYDE BELLECOURT do not need these identification cards since they are recognized as leaders of AIM.

Source advised that the individuals that [redacted] was aware of holding TOP SECURITY clearance were as follows:

TED MEANS
WILLIAM MEANS
STANLEY HOLDER
LOBELET DE CORA MEANS



Source was of the understanding that a few other individuals held the same clearance but [redacted] was not aware of the identity of these individuals.

Source advised [REDACTED]

[REDACTED] BANKS, RUSSELL MEANS, AND VERNON BELLECOURT [REDACTED]

[REDACTED] CLYDE BELLECOURT [REDACTED]

[REDACTED] CLYDE

[REDACTED] BELLECOURT [REDACTED]

[REDACTED] and [REDACTED]

BELLECOURT. Source also advised that CLYDE BELLECOURT is apparently a big spender and that this is also looked upon unfavorably by the other leaders of AIM.

AIM ORGANIZATION

WOUNDED KNEE LEGAL DEFENSE/OFFENSE COMMITTEE

FOREIGN INFLUENCE

AIM FINANCING

AIM LEADERS AND MEMBERS

AIM CHAPTERS

OTHER RELATED AIM INFORMATION AND INTELLIGENCE

Source advised that AIM has previously had a carte blanche use of an airplane and that this plane [REDACTED]

Source advised that AIM may also have another plane and that this plane is believed to be possibly a Lear jet.

AIM [REDACTED]

Source advised [REDACTED]

[REDACTED] DENNIS BANKS [REDACTED]

[REDACTED] BANKS [REDACTED]

[REDACTED] BANKS [REDACTED]

[REDACTED] BANKS [REDACTED]

Source described [REDACTED]

[REDACTED] DENNIS BANKS [REDACTED]

It was sources understanding that [REDACTED]

Source advised that [REDACTED]

[REDACTED] is still around the MP area but not active in AIM to sources knowledge.

Source advised that AIM still apparently have big plans for the use of airplanes and AIM is allegedly attempting to coordinate efforts to use the plane or planes to their utmost benefit. Source speculated that AIM intends to [REDACTED]

Source advised that DENNIS BANK, [REDACTED] CLYDE BELLECOURT, and RUSSELL MEANS are the individuals who would ordinarily use the plane. [REDACTED]

[REDACTED] believed to be from Atlanta, Georgia allegedly [REDACTED]

In regard to future plans of AIM, source was not aware of any definite plans but had heard talk of publicizing the strip mining in the Four Corners area of New Mexico. In addition, source had heard talk of helping the Havisupi Indians in Arizona with some type of alleged trouble the Havisupi are having in regard to concessions in the Grand Canyon area.

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In addition, source advised there is still discussion regarding possible activity in South Dakota. Source assured writer that AIM has not forgotten about Richard Wilson, tribal president at Pine Ridge, SD.

Source advised that it is not publicly known but the [REDACTED]

Source advised that numerous [REDACTED] CLYDE BELLECOURT, and [REDACTED]

Source advised [REDACTED] WKLD in St. Paul, Minn.

According to source, CLYDE BELLECOURT and [REDACTED] know each other quite well and CLYDE and [REDACTED] were allegedly on the same podium at a National Coalition meeting which source recalled to be in New York.

Source advised that CLYDE BELLECOURT [REDACTED]

Source advised [redacted]

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Source advised most [redacted]

According to source, [redacted] was initially [redacted]

When questioned regarding [redacted]

[redacted] for the WKIDOC and AIM. Source advised that there was no [redacted]

Source was of the distinct impression that most of the AIM leaders have "their own thing going". CLYDE BELLECOURT and RUSSELL MEANS have various speaking engagements and these speaking engagements are made [redacted]

VERNON BELLECOURT [redacted]
and BELLECOURT according to source [redacted]

VERNON BELLECOURT [redacted]

Source estimated [redacted]

VERNON

BELLECOURT [redacted]

VERNON BELLECOURT, CLYDE BELLECOURT, RUSSELL MEANS, and DENNIS BANKS.

Source advised that VERNON BELLECOURT has previously traveled to Europe and has made speeches on behalf of AIM and to raise funds for AIM. Source was aware that VERNON BELLECOURT had been [redacted]

Source also advised that VERNON BELLECOURTS trip to Europe [REDACTED] BELLECOURT [REDACTED]

DENNIS BANKS, RUSSELL MEANS, CLYDE BELLECOURT and VERNON BELLECOURT have allegedly stated that they will not go to prison or jail again and would flee the country before going to jail or prison.

In addition, source had heard that [REDACTED]

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Source was of the opinion that AIM did not really care who furnished them financial support. AIMS primary concern was merely to obtain financial support.

Source advised that [REDACTED]

Source advised [REDACTED]

CLYDE BELLECOURT [REDACTED]

VERNON BELLECOURT [REDACTED]

Source advised that TED, BILL, and RUSSELL MEANS run the state of South Dakota for AIM. TED is the state coordinator for South Dakota and is actually the state coordinator for both South and North Dakota.

BILL MEANS is supposed to be running Rosebud section of AIM but since BILL spends quite a bit of time in the St. Paul-MP area, [REDACTED] LEONARD CROW DOG actually run the AIM activities at Rosebud.

TED MEANS spends much of his time between Porcupine, SD and Rapid City, SD. TED actually runs the AIM Chapter house in Rapid City, SD.

[REDACTED] is quite active in AIM in Rapid City, SD and resides at the AIM house in Rapid City, SD.

LEONARD CROW DOG is supposed to be the chairman of the Rosebud AIM group but CROW DOG and BILL MEANS actually work together at Rosebud. [redacted] is active in AIM at Rosebud and [redacted] is considered some type of [redacted]

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Source estimates that only about twenty individuals were actively engaged in AIM activities at Rosebud. Source cautioned writer in regard to underestimating the following that AIM would have on Rosebud Indian Reservation. Source estimated that half of the people on Rosebud could be considered supporters of AIM and that three-fourths of the young Indians on Rosebud would probably support AIM.

Source advised each chapter of AIM is supposed to have papers of incorporation in each respective state. Source was not certain of which locations in South Dakota were considered Chapters but believed chapters to be at Rapid City and Pine Ridge. In addition, there is an office at Sioux Falls but source considered this more of an office merely for the trials rather than a chapter. Source advised some locations might be considered "branches" of the chapter and this was sources understanding in regard to the AIM activity at Porcupine, SD.

Source also advised that some chapters of AIM folded after the press release was made by AIM to the effect that financing was to be directed to St. Paul for the trials. Source advised this press release was made in the fall of 1973.

After the above press release, the Chadron, Nebr. chapter folded and the Minneapolis, Minn. chapter folded and was absorbed by the St. Paul, Minn. Chapter.

[redacted] (phonetic) is the [redacted] of the St. Paul AIM chapter.

[redacted] the Sioux Falls, SD office of AIM. [redacted] has a brother, FNU [redacted] who runs with [redacted] and [redacted]

Source was aware of [redacted] two individuals who do a lot of the [redacted] for the WKLDCC and who are instrumental in [redacted] and [redacted]. It was sources understanding that [redacted] are field workers who have previously worked on other conspiracy trials.

[redacted] of the Rapid City, SD AIM chapter has previously gone to Europe and source had been told that [redacted] [redacted] in Europe.

Source was questioned regarding actor TROY DONAHUE's association with AIM. Source stated that all [redacted] knew about DONAHUE was that [redacted] and that source was of the opinion that DONAHUE [redacted] Source advised that if DONAHUE [redacted] source this impression..

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In regard to Indian jewelry burglaries, source advised that members of AIM have hit individuals holding Indian jewelry, especially turquoise and silver jewelry. Efforts are made to hit the white owners of the jewelry and not the Indian owners but these Indian owners do get hit occasionally.

In addition, source advised that AIM members have been hitting Indian museums and when a museum is hit, an effort is made to return historically significant and historically religious items to the respective tribe. These items are usually given to the medicine men of the respective tribes and these items are often times buried or otherwise secreted by the medicine men.

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AIM ACTIVITY IN RAPID CITY AREA OF
SOUTH DAKOTA, FOREIGN INFLUENCE AND
AIM FINANCING.

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* INDIVIDUALS DESIGNATED BY AN ASTERISK (*) ONLY ATTENDED A MEETING AND DID NOT ACTIVELY PARTICIPATE.
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Source advised that [redacted] an Indian female who lives in North Rapid City, SD in currently [redacted] BIA [redacted] and subject stated to the [redacted]

[redacted] Subject said she was only doing her part as an AIM member and supporter. Source described subject as a strong AIM member in Rapid City, SD.

(review of Rapid City telephone directory lists on [redacted] Rapid City, SD, tel. number [redacted])

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1975-76 SOUTH DAKOTA CENTENNIAL

Source advised there has already been considerable talk re above. [redacted] Rapid City and South Dakota have been discussed. Source advised that people that [redacted] Source advised [redacted] would keep alert for addition info re above.

(This info not being disseminated at this time-upon addition) (information, this info may be disseminated to appropriate) (officials.)

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DR. [redacted]

Source advised that above doctor has been doing [redacted] Doctor is not known to be a member of AIM to sources knowledge but source was rather of the opinion that this doctor was merely sympathetic towards AIM.

Source had also heard that this doctor had previously [redacted] TED MEANS, [redacted] and [redacted] has allegedly run with [redacted] in the past and may still be running with [redacted]

70-7844
SACRED HEART CATHOLIC CHURCH, WOUNDED KNEE, SD

Source advised [redacted] was unable to determine who had touched above church but rumors persist that it was Wilsons Goons who touched.

INDIAN ORIGINAL BURGLARY, RAPID CITY, SD
87-22154

Source advised [] has not received any information re captioned burglary but would be alert for same.

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Source advised [] was not familiar with the name or photo of subject.

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Subject has previously been seen by source at the Porcupine branch of AIM, but shource was not aware is subject currently at Porcupine branch.

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157-3192

[] Source advised that [] had not recently seen subject but [] could not say if subject was still in Rapid City area or not since source had not been frequently coming to Rapid in the last several months. Source advised that subject in the past has associated with the AIM group from Rapid City and subject may therefore be staying at the Rapid City AIM house.

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RED WARRIOR SOCIETY aka RED BERETS 157-1969
BROWN BERETS 157-3444

Source advised that [] had recently seen members of the above two groups in Rapid City, SD but [] was not definately certain reason these groups were presently in Rapid City. Source advised Red Berets were Indians primarily from St. Paul-MP area and the Brown Berets were Chicanos mostly from the Denver, Col. area. Source was of the opinion that these two groups were in Rapid City cause minor disruptions and keep people "on their toes" and to remind people in the Rapid City area that AIM was present and active. Source further described individuals presence as an "awaremess" and reminder to local citizens that AIM was still "alive and Well" and in South Dakota.

Source described some of the above members of Red and Brown Berets, Especially Red Berets as hard core individuals willing to die for the AIM or similiar type cause. Source was also advised that numbers of the Berets, especially the Red Berests were armed with weapons, including automatic weapons. Source was /X/ unable to further describe "automatic" weapons.

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Source was displayed photos of [redacted] and [redacted] after which source advised [redacted] knew both of these individuals and that they were both believed to be AIM members. Source advised [redacted] had seen both [redacted] and [redacted] [redacted] was believed to be either the wife or sister of [redacted]

[redacted] aka [redacted]
157-2882

Source advised that subject is a strong AIM member and that subjects mother, name unknown lives in Rapid City, SD at an unknown location. Subject was believed to be from the south west part of the United States.

[redacted]
157-2007

Source advised subject is a strong AIM member and is the son of [redacted] Subject was seen in [redacted] [redacted] by source and source was of the opinion that subject may now be living in Rapid City.

[redacted]
157-1737

Source advised [redacted] knows subject but has not recently seen subject. Subject believed to be from state of Utah and still believed to be active in AIM.

CRAZY HORSE POWER MOVEMENT aka
157-1939

Source advised that [redacted] was not familiar with captioned organization.. Source advised [redacted] does know [redacted] but could provide no further pertinent information other than [redacted] considered the character of [redacted] to be quite questionable. Source felt that [redacted] was not respected by many of the Indian people of Rapid City due to [redacted] part in the occupation of Wounded Knee in 1973. Source advised [redacted] was not familiar with any current activity on part of [redacted] regarding AIM.

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Source advised [] knows subject quite well but did not know where subject was currently residing other than apparently in Rapid City area. Source advised [] did not know if subject was an AIM member or supporter. Subject in the past has bragged about be affiliated with AIM and then subject "turns around" and harasses AIM members and sympathizers. Subject was considered by source as a mere trouble maker and hell raiser.

FOREIGN INFLUENCE AND TRAVEL 157-3481

AIM FINANCING 157-1458 Sub A

DENNIS BANKS 70- 6864

DENNIS BANKS 157- 846

Source advised that [] was of the distinct impression that much of the current financing of AIM is coming from []. Source was also of the opinion that AIM was receiving [] but source was unable to give any further info or details re financing.

Source advised that [] had recently been told that DENNIS BANKS had been given an airplane as a gift. Source thought this plane to possibly be a Lear jet and source had heard that this gift of a plane had been made by unknown individuals from an unknown foreign country.

AIM ORGANIZATION 157-1458

AIM RAPID CITY, SD 157-1469

AIM PORCUPINE, SD 157-3367

AIM CALICO (TCRO) 157-1776

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aka 157-3349

LORELEI DE CORA MEANS 157-1723

TED MEANS 70-8047

TED MEANS 157-2864

RUSSELL MEANS 70-6882

RUSSELL MEANS 157-1460

Source advised that [] was aware of only one "chapter" of AIM IN the state of South Dakota. Source noted that this "chapter" is located at 807 Fairview, Rapid City, SD. According to source, there are "branches" of the AIM "Chapters" in South Dakota and source named branches of which [] was aware as follows: Rosebud, Porcupine, Eagle Butte, and Sioux Falls, SD.

Source advised Severt Young Bear heads the Porcupine "branch" and that an unknown individual, supposedly a Chippewa from the MP area heads the Sioux Falls "branch."

Source advised [] was aware of previous activity by individuals affiliated with AIM in Rapid City and source advised that these individuals []

Source was not certain, but believed that []

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Source was of the opinion that many of the AIM people at Rapid City are extremely surveillance conscious and some are apparently paranoid re FBI and police surveillance which they believe is currently taking place. Source advised that any vehicle or person in the neighborhood of the Rapid City AIM house is questioned in their own minds if this person or vehicle looks anything like law enforcement related or the least bit suspicious.

Source advised that [] was aware that AIM members in Rapid City, SD frequented the Frontier Bar, Hubs Bronco, and Buddys on Mt. Rushmore Rd or in that vicinity.

Source advised that upon further recollection, [] recalled []

Source also advised that the AIM people were primarily concerned about the FBI and they were not too concerned with possible surveillance and intelligence gathering by the local police department.

Source advised []

Source advised that [] plays an active and important part in AIM activities, especially in the Rapid City area. Source had previously heard that []

To sources knowledge, it was not known where [] utilizes a Brown LTD Ford which is registered in [] name. This vehicle bears 75 SD license []

[REDACTED]
157-1708

Source advised that [REDACTED] knows subject and source considers subject a strong AIM member and supporter in the RAPID City area.

[REDACTED]
157-3316

Source advised that [REDACTED] was not personally acquainted with subject but source was of the impression that out of town people coming to Rapid City stay with ~~xxxx~~ a [REDACTED] family in Box Elder, SD, and which is just east of Rapid City, SD. Source advised that the [REDACTED] family of Box Elder are active AIMers.

In addition, source was of the opinion that out of towners stayed at private residences in the Lakota homes section of Rapid City. Source had heard that the [REDACTED] family in Lakota homes board out of town AIM people on occasions. ~~Rapid City~~

Source advised that out of towners also stay at the AIM house in Rapid City.

[REDACTED]
157-NEW

Source advised that subject was a known Indian burglarier in Rapid City and that subject was considered by source to be an AIM sympathizer and probably an AIM member. Source also advised that [REDACTED] who was possibly a sister or wife to [REDACTED] to be an AIM sympathizer or member.

[REDACTED]
157-NEW

Source advised that subject resides at [REDACTED] in Rapid City, SD and subject is a known AIM member and supporter.

[REDACTED]
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Source advised that subject is an Indian female from Busbey, Montana and an AIM member. Subject previously resided at the Rapid City AIM house. Subject is currently enroute or have returned to her home in Busbey, Montana. Subject is [REDACTED] and apparently intends to drop out of AIM for a period.

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FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION

REPORTING OFFICE MINNEAPOLIS	OFFICE OF ORIGIN MINNEAPOLIS	DATE 7/19/74	INVESTIGATIVE PERIOD 4/4-7/15/74
TITLE OF CASE THEODORE LYLE MEANS, aka		REPORT MADE BY SA 	TYPED BY dea
		CHARACTER OF CASE CIR-B & L; ARL - IFO	

REFERENCE

Minneapolis report of SA 3/18/74;
Oklahoma City letter to Minneapolis, 5/13/74.

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ADMINISTRATIVE

Previous reports in this matter are referenced in the first paragraph of details at the request of the U. S. Attorney, District of South Dakota.

Oklahoma City by letter dated 5/13/74, advised THEODORE LYLE MEANS, Porcupine, South Dakota, DOB 8/9/46, SSAN 504-50-4746, was temporarily residing at 1002 South Lowery Street, Stillwater, Oklahoma.

ACCOMPLISHMENTS CLAIMED					<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> NONE	ACQUIT- TALS	CASE HAS BEEN:		
CONVIC.	FUG.	FINES	SAVINGS	RECOVERIES					
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AT DENVER, COLORADO

An information copy of this report is being forwarded Denver in view of their interest in potential AIM leaders.

OKLAHOMA CITY

AT OKLAHOMA CITY, OKLAHOMA

An information copy of this report is being forwarded Oklahoma City in view of their interest in potential AIM leaders.

PHOENIX

AT PHOENIX, ARIZONA

An information copy of this report is being forwarded Phoenix in view of their interest in potential AIM leaders.

MINNEAPOLIS

AT RAPID CITY, SOUTH DAKOTA

Will, through AUSA, District of South Dakota, follow the prosecution of THEODORE LYLE MEANS.

UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE
FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION

Copy to: 1-USA, Sioux Falls, South Dakota

Report of: SA [REDACTED]
Date: July 19, 1974Office: Minneapolis, Minnesota b6
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Field Office File #: 70-8288

Bureau File #: 176-2571

Title: THEODORE LYLE MEANS

Character: CRIME ON INDIAN RESERVATION-BURGLARY AND LARCENY; ANTIRIOT
LAWS-IMPEDING FEDERAL OFFICERSSynopsis: AUSA, District of South Dakota, advised no decision had
yet been made in the matter of THEODORE LYLE MEANS.

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DETAILS

Reference is made to the investigative reports
of SA [REDACTED] dated December 17, 1973, and
March 18, 1974.

OC 157-1902

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The following investigation was conducted by
Special Clerk [REDACTED]

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At Oklahoma City, Oklahoma

On May 14, 1974, [REDACTED] Motor Vehicle
Division, Oklahoma Tax Commission, advised that the
registration information concerning 1973 Oklahoma license
[REDACTED] was not yet available in her files.

[REDACTED] advised that this information would
be available through the Oklahoma County Tag Agency.

On May 14, 1974, [REDACTED], Oklahoma
County Tag Agency, 1318 North Robinson, advised that 1973
Oklahoma license [REDACTED] with 1974 Oklahoma tab number
[REDACTED] is issued to a 1970 Volkswagen two door,
Vehicle Identification Number (VIN) [REDACTED] registered
to [REDACTED] Stillwater,
Oklahoma.

[REDACTED] further advised that this vehicle was
previously registered in the state of Illinois.

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On the following dates the following individuals were contacted:

Date	April 4, 1974
Individual	Assistant U. S. Attorney
Contacted	[redacted] District of South Dakota
Contacted By	SA [redacted]
Date	May 6, 1974
Individual	Miss [redacted]
Contacted	[redacted] U. S. District Court, District of South Dakota
Contacted By	SA [redacted]
Date	July 15, 1974
Individual	Assistant U. S. Attorney
Contacted	[redacted] District of South Dakota
Contacted By	SA [redacted]

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Mr. [redacted] and Miss [redacted] advised no decision had yet been made in the matter of THEODORE LYLE MEANS.

FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION

REPORTING OFFICE MINNEAPOLIS	OFFICE OF ORIGIN MINNEAPOLIS	DATE 9/30/74	INVESTIGATIVE PERIOD 3/30 - 9/24/74
TITLE OF CASE RUSSELL MEANS; BILL MEANS; TED MEANS; [REDACTED] CLYDE BELLECOURT; [REDACTED]		REPORT MADE BY SA [REDACTED]	TYPED BY pms
		CHARACTER OF CASE CIR - POSSIBLE LARCENY	

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REFERENCE: Minneapolis report of SA [REDACTED] 10/30/73.

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Will maintain contact with USA's Office, Sioux Falls,
to obtain final prosecutive opinion in this case.

ACCOMPLISHMENTS CLAIMED					<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> NONE	ACQUIT- TALS	CASE HAS BEEN: PENDING OVER ONE YEAR <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> YES <input type="checkbox"/> NO PENDING PROSECUTION OVER SIX MONTHS <input type="checkbox"/> YES <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> NO
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Report of:

SA [REDACTED]

Office: Minneapolis, Minnesota

Date:

September 30, 1974

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Title:

RUSSELL MEANS;

BILL MEANS;

TED MEANS;

[REDACTED]
CLYDE BELLECOURT;b6
b7c~~XXXXXXXXXX~~[REDACTED]
ET AL~~XXXXXXXXXX~~

Character

CRIME ON INDIAN RESERVATION - POSSIBLE LARCENY

Synopsis

USA's Office, Sioux Falls, South Dakota,
advised that no decision has been made yet
as to a prosecutive opinion in this case.

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DETAILS:

On March 20, 1974, SA [REDACTED] telephonically contacted United States Attorney WILLIAM F. CLAYTON, Sioux Falls, South Dakota, regarding his intentions concerning this case. Mr. CLAYTON advised that he desired to make no prosecutive opinion on the case at this time, but as he advised earlier to postpone making a decision until after the trials of MEANS and BANKS in St. Paul, Minnesota, are over. He stated that at that time he would then review the case, determine what further investigation needed to be done and give a prosecutive opinion where he could take into consideration the results of the St. Paul Wounded Knee trials.

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On September 24, 1974, [REDACTED] Assistant United States Attorney, Sioux Falls, South Dakota, was contacted concerning this case and he advised that there has been no decision made as yet as to a prosecutive opinion in this case.

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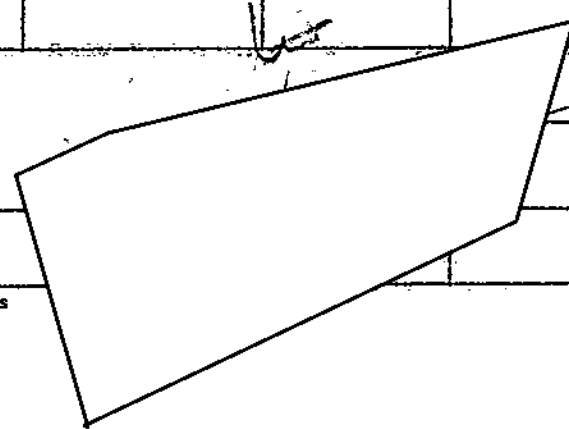
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REFERENCE

Minneapolis report of SA [REDACTED] 9/30/74.

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Title:

RUSSELL MEANS;
BILL MEANS;
TED MEANS.

CLYDE BELLECOURT;
[REDACTED]

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Synopsis:

ET AL.

Character:

CRIME ON INDIAN RESERVATION -
POSSIBLE LARCENY

Synopsis:

USA's Office, Sioux Falls, South Dakota, declined prosecution in this case as they do not feel the facts of the case justify prosecution.

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DETAILS

By letter dated November 13, 1974, WILLIAM F. CLAYTON, United States Attorney, District of South Dakota, Sioux Falls, South Dakota, advised that they have reviewed the FBI reports in this case and feel that the facts of the case do not justify prosecution, and they are declining prosecution at this time.

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REPORTING OFFICE MINNEAPOLIS	OFFICE OF ORIGIN MINNEAPOLIS	DATE 2/7/75	INVESTIGATIVE PERIOD 1/14 - 16/75
TITLE OF CASE THEODORE LYLE MEANS, aka		REPORT MADE BY [REDACTED]	TYPED BY arw
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Minneapolis report of SA [REDACTED] 1/8/75.

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ADMINISTRATIVE

Previous reports in this matter are referenced in the first paragraph of details at the request of the USA, District of South Dakota.

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An information copy of this report is being forwarded Denver in view of their interest in TED MEANS and other potential AIM leaders.

OKLAHOMA CITY DIVISION

AT OKLAHOMA CITY, OKLAHOMA

Same lead as for Denver.

PHOENIX DIVISION

AT PHOENIX, ARIZONA

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Report of:

Date: February 7, 1975

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Field Office File #: 70-8288

Bureau File #: 176-2571

Title: THEODORE LYLE MEANS

Character: CRIME ON INDIAN RESERVATION - BURGLARY AND LARCENY;
ANTIRIOT LAWS - IMPEDING FEDERAL OFFICERS

Synopsis: USA, District of South Dakota, declined prosecution of THEODORE LYLE MEANS regarding MEANS' participation in the 1973 AIM siege of the Village of Wounded Knee, South Dakota.

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DETAILS

Reference is made to the investigative reports of Special Agent (SA) [redacted] December 17, 1973; March 18, 1974; July 19, 1974; and January 8, 1975.

At Sioux Falls, South Dakota

On January 16, 1975, Mrs. [redacted] Deputy Clerk, U. S. District Court (USDC), District of South Dakota, was contacted at her office in the Federal Building. Mrs. [redacted] advised she could locate no current record for THEODORE LYLE MEANS. Mrs. [redacted] further advised USDC records disclosed one arrest of MEANS which was dismissed April 16, 1973.

On the same date, Mrs. [redacted], [redacted] State Attorney's Office was contacted at her office in the Minnehaha County Court House Building. Mrs. [redacted] advised MEANS appeared in Sioux Falls Circuit Court on August 12, 1974, and entered a plea of "not guilty" to a state charge of riot. Mrs. [redacted] further advised the trial would not be scheduled previous to March 10, 1975.

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By letter dated January 14, 1975, U. S. Attorney WILLIAM F. CLAYTON, District of South Dakota, advised his office had reviewed the matter of THEODORE LYLE MEANS regarding MEANS' participation in the 1973 American Indian Movement (AIM) siege of the Village of Wounded Knee, South Dakota, and had determined there was insufficient evidence to sustain successful prosecution. Mr. CLAYTON therefore, declined criminal prosecution.

UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

Memorandum

TO : SAC, MINNEAPOLIS (70-8047) (C)

DATE: 1/23/75

FROM : SA [REDACTED]

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SUBJECT: RUSSELL MEANS;
BILL MEANS;
TED MEANS.

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CLYDE BELLECOURT:

[REDACTED]
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CIR - POSSIBLE LARCENY
(OO: MINNEAPOLIS)

Re Minneapolis report of SA [REDACTED] 11/25/74.

AT BISMARCK, NORTH DAKOTA

On 1/20/75, [REDACTED] North Dakota State Penitentiary, Bismarck, North Dakota, stated DALE MEANS has been hired by [REDACTED] United Tribes Employment Training Center, Bismarck, North Dakota, as Prison Parole Coordinator for the United Tribes Employment Training Center at the North Dakota State Penitentiary. [REDACTED] has tentatively accepted DALE MEANS' application to be admitted to the Penitentiary as the position requires.

[REDACTED] stated he held a conference with DALE MEANS and [REDACTED] and inquired about DALE MEANS' involvement with the American Indian Movement (AIM). DALE MEANS responded that he was extensively involved with AIM and asked if that would make any difference to [REDACTED]. [REDACTED] replied that it did; that MEANS would not be admitted to the Penitentiary if he advocated violence or caused any disruption at the Penitentiary.

[REDACTED] has set up a regular conference schedule with DALE MEANS and has assigned to MEANS two Penitentiary officials to insure procedures are adhered to. To date, the arrangement has worked well and the exchange of ideas etc., between SATRAN and MEANS has been productive.

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